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SUBJECT: COMPUTERIZED PERSONNEL SYSTEMS

U.S.D.O.C. HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY THE COMPUTER SOFTWARE INDUSTRY TO SECURE INFORMATION REGARDING THE EXTENT THAT PERSONNEL SYSTEMS ARE COMPUTERIZED IN THE ABOVE AREAS. SPECIFICALLY THEY WOULD, IN GENERAL, DESIRE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. TO WHAT DEGREE HAS THE PERSONNEL APPLICATION BEEN COMPUTERIZED IN THE COUNTRY?

2. ARE THERE NATIONAL LAWS AND/OR CUSTOMS EITHER IN EXISTENCE OR CONTEMPLATED THAT WOULD MAKE DESCRIBING EMPLOYEES TO COMPUTERS DESIRABLE? IF SO, WHAT ARE THEY?

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3. ARE THERE CUSTOMS OR PRIVACY LAWS THAT WOULD INHIBIT THE INSTALLATION OF PERSONNEL DATA SYSTEMS? IF SO, WHAT ARE THEY?

4. WHAT OTHER FACTORS, SUCH AS SCARCITY OF PROGRAMMERS, LEGAL RESTRICTIONS, INFLATION, MANAGEMENT POLICIES, ETC.,

WOULD INFLUENCE THE PURCHASE OF THE SOFTWARE PRODUCT

(TAILORED TO MEET NATIONAL REQUIREMENTS) FROM A U.S.
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5. HOW MANY FIRMS WITH MORE THAN 5,000 EMPLOYEES ARE
THERE IN THE COUNTRY?

6. WHAT IS THE GENERAL STATUS OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT
RELATIVE TO OTHER EXECUTIVE PRIORITIES?

YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER WOULD BE APPRECIATED. VANCE

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